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February 5, 2002

Mr. William Caton Acting Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: CS Docket No. 00-2

Dear Mr. Caton:

We are writing in strong support of continuing the current prohibition on exclusive programming contracts contained in Section 628(c)(2)(D) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, which will expire on October 5, 2002, unless the Commission finds that such prohibition continues to be necessary to preserve competition and diversity in the distribution of video programming.

At The Bayshore Apartment Homes we continue to seek the best possible video services for our residents. Video service that is dependable and affordable is extremely important to our residents. To achieve top flight service for our residents, we enter into agreements with a provider for a limited number of years and we demand that programming options keep pace with choices that are available elsewhere in the Greater Tampa area. It would be unthinkable if our current video provider was legally restricted from being able to obtain programming that our residents want - programming such as HBO, the History Channel, Disney, various sports channels, and a whole host of other programs. Recent mergers and consolidations in the video marketplace make us nervous that the ground could suddenly shift from under a given video provider's ability to obtain many of the popular channels. If our apartment community video provider loses the ability to bring in certain channels while the property a couple of blocks away is able to bring in those channels, then we will be faced with a lot of unhappy residents and our ability to attract and retain residents will suffer greatly.

Please continue the current ban on exclusive programming contracts.

Sincerely,

Julie M. Ryan

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Vice President of Property Management

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At Roseland Property Company we continue to seek the best possible video services for our residents. Video service that is dependable and affordable is extremely important to our residents. To achieve top flight service for our residents we enter into agreements with a provider for a limited number of years and we demand that programming options keep pace with choices that are available elsewhere in New Jersey. It would be unthinkable if our current video provider was legally restricted from being able to obtain programming that our residents want – programming such as HBO, the History Channel, Disney, various sports channels, and a whole host of other programs. Recent mergers and consolidations in the video marketplace make us nervous that the ground could suddenly shift from under a given video provider's ability to obtain many popular channels. If our apartment community video provider loses the ability to bring in certain channels while the property a couple of blocks away is able to bring in those channels, then we will be faced with a lot of unhappy residents and our ability to attract and retain residents will suffer greatly.

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At Brookberry Park Apartments we continue to seek the best possible video services for our residents. Video service that is dependable and affordable is extremely important to our residents. To achieve top flight service for our residents, we enter into agreements with a provider for a limited number of years and we demand that programming options keep pace with choices that are available elsewhere in the Winston Salem, Greensboro, High Point area. It would be unthinkable if our current video provider was legally restricted from being able to obtain programming that our residents want - programming such as HBO, the History Channel, Disney, various sports channels, and a whole host of other programs. Recent mergers and consolidations in the video marketplace make us nervous that the ground could suddenly shift from under a given video provider's ability to obtain many of the popular channels. If our apartment community video provider loses the ability to bring in certain channels while the property a couple o blocks away is able to bring in those channels, then we will be faced with a lot of unhappy residents and our ability to attract and retain residents will suffer greatly.

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#### ABBINGTON SQUARE APARTMENTS

February 6, 2002

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At Abbington Square Apartments we continue to seek the best possible video services for our residents. Video service that is dependable and affordable is extremely important to our residents. To achieve top flight service for our residents, we enter into agreements with a provider for a limited number of years and we demand that programming options keep pace with choices that are available elsewhere in the Jacksonville area. It would be unthinkable if our current video provider was legally restricted from being able to obtain programming that our residents want - programming such as HBO, the History Channel, Disney, various sports channels, and a whole host of other programs. Recent mergers and consolidations in the video marketplace make us nervous that the ground could suddenly shift from under a given video provider's ability to obtain many of the popular channels. If our apartment community video provider loses the ability to bring in certain channels while the property a couple of blocks away is able to bring in those channels, then we will be faced with a lot of unhappy residents and our ability to attract and retain residents will suffer greatly.

Please continue the current ban on exclusive programming contracts.

Sincerely,

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At Garland Square we continue to seek the best possible video services for our residents. Video service that is dependable and affordable is extremely important to To achieve top flight service for our residents, we enter into agreements with a provider for a limited number of years and we demand that programming options keep pace with choices that are available elsewhere in the North West Arkansas area. It would be unthinkable if our current video provider was legally restricted from being able to obtain programming that our residents want -